

### **REMARKS**

The present Amendment cancels claims 1, 2, 4, 7-9, 19, 21, 22, 24-28, 30 and 31 leaving method claims 10, 12, 13, 15-17, 29 and 30 present in this application. Applicants wish to file a Continuation application with the claims canceled herein.

In a telephone message left by Examiner Rayyan on December 10, 2007, the Examiner indicated that she believed that this Amendment would be entered as Applicants are only requesting that claims be canceled.

For the above reasons, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 without withdrawing the case from issue. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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Respectfully submitted,

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